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TO SECSTATE WASHDC FLASH 4795

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C O N F I D E N T I A L BEIRUT 12251

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS, LE

SUBJECT: ATTACK ON BANK OF AMERICA: SITREP 2

FOLLOWING SITUATION 1500 HOURS LOCAL:

1. BANK OF AMERICA STILL UNDER SIEGE. IN ADDITION TO SIZEABLE POLICE CONTINGENTS, GOL HAS DISPATCHED 2 TANKS AND NUMEROUS TROOPS.
2. ALGERIAN AMBASSADOR PRESUMABLY STILL INSIDE AND NEGOTIATING WITH ATTACKERS.
3. ONE REPORT PHONED IN FROM SOURCE PINNED DOWN IN NEIGHBORING OFFICE IN BANK BUILDING ADVISES US ATTACKERS HAVE GIVEN GOL UNTIL 6 P.M. (LOCAL TIME) TO MEET THEIR DEMANDS WHICH ARE AS YET UNKNOWN TO US.
4. ONLY TWO AMERICAN STAFF MEMBERS AT BANK OF AMERICA

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HERE, T.R. MOCK AND W.A. PARSONS ARE SAFE AND OUTSIDE

OF BANK.

BANK MANAGER HOLLANDER (DUTCH) SAFE AND IN HIDING.

5. WE DO NOT YET KNOW WHETHER AMERICAN CUSTOMERS WERE
IN BANK AT TIME OF ATTACK.

6. ONE ATTACKER HAS BEEN CAPTURED; IDENTITY UNKNOWN.

7. ALL FOREGOING MAY BE PASSED TO BANK OF AMERICA
REPS IN WASHINGTON AND PARIS.

8. MORE DETAILS FOLLOW. BUFFUM

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